



CANLII TIPS & TRICKS

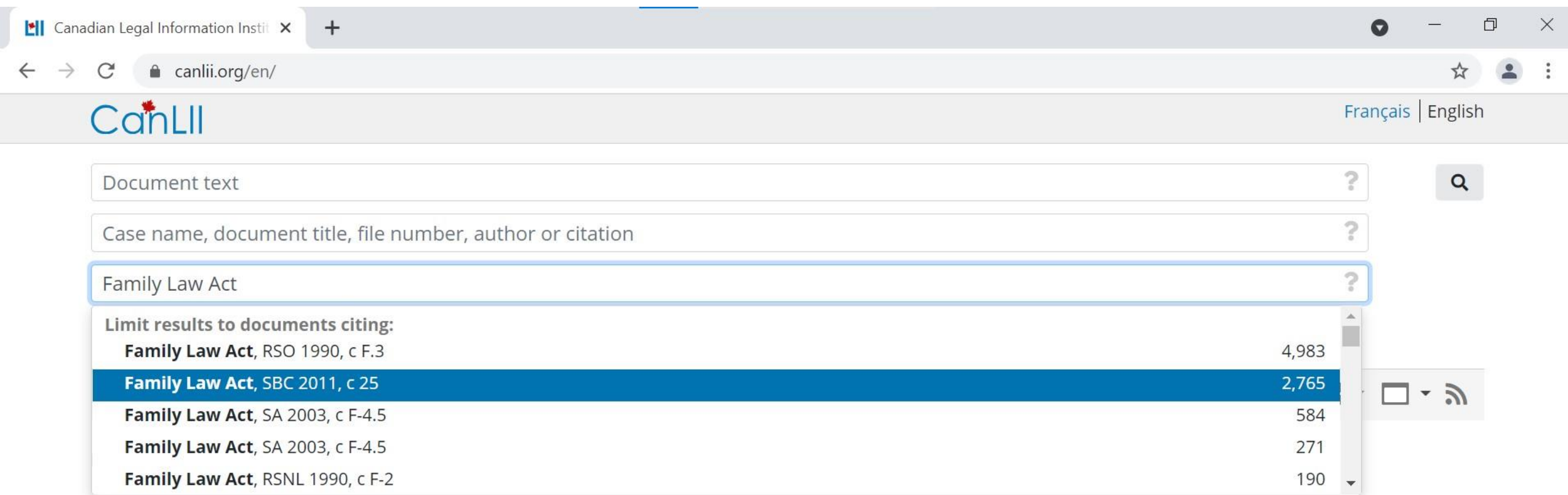
COMBINING KEYWORD SEARCHING & NOTING UP:
EXAMPLE 2


COURTHOUSE
LIBRARIES | BC

SCENARIO

Are extracurricular activities covered under Part 7 of the Family Law Act? I need to find Provincial Court of British Columbia cases that support this.

Use the Note Up Field



The screenshot shows the CanLII website search interface. The browser address bar shows the URL canlii.org/en/. The CanLII logo is visible in the top left, and language options for 'Français' and 'English' are in the top right. The search interface includes three input fields: 'Document text', 'Case name, document title, file number, author or citation', and 'Family Law Act'. The 'Family Law Act' field is highlighted with a blue border. Below the search fields, a dropdown menu displays search results for 'Family Law Act', listing various acts and their corresponding document counts. The results are as follows:

Document	Count
Family Law Act , RSO 1990, c F.3	4,983
Family Law Act , SBC 2011, c 25	2,765
Family Law Act , SA 2003, c F-4.5	584
Family Law Act , SA 2003, c F-4.5	271
Family Law Act , RSNL 1990, c F-2	190

COMMENTARY: Using the Note Up field will allow us to limit our search results to documents that specifically cite the Family Law Act.


Add Keywords into the Document Text Field




Part 7 extracurricular activities x? Q






Case name, document title, file number, author or citation ?

Family Law Act, SBC 2011, c 25 x? Citations Any section ?

or ▼ Noteup/Discussion: cited case names, legislation titles, citations or dockets ?

All CanLII (2,765) Cases (2,569) Legislation (67) Commentary (129)  My Documents

All jurisdictions ▼ By relevance ▼   

lexbox  Save this query  Set up alert feed  Email this query  Run a saved query ▼  Browse Lexbox ▼

1. [Shutiak v. Sperring](#), 2015 BCSC 2344 (CanLII)
Supreme Court of British Columbia — British Columbia

COMMENTARY: Part 7 of the Family Law Act deals with Child and Spousal Support and has been added into the Document Text Field accordingly. We have also added extracurricular activities because we need to find out if they are covered under Part 7.


Add Boolean Operators




Part 7 AND extracurricular activities OR extracurricular expenses x? Q






Case name, document title, file number, author or citation ?

Family Law Act, SBC 2011, c 25 x? Citations Any section ?

or ▼ Noteup/Discussion: cited case names, legislation titles, citations or dockets ?

All CanLII (2,765) Cases (2,569) Legislation (67) Commentary (129)  My Documents

All jurisdictions ▼ By relevance ▼   

lexbox  Save this query  Set up alert feed  Email this query  Run a saved query ▼  Browse Lexbox ▼

1. [Shutiak v. Sperring](#), 2015 BCSC 2344 (CanLII)
Supreme Court of British Columbia — British Columbia

COMMENTARY: We have added the AND operator because we want to find documents that mention Part 7 of the Family Law Act as well as extracurricular activities. We have also used the OR operator to connect extracurricular activities with extracurricular expenses. Doing so will allow us to retrieve documents that discuss either extracurricular activities or extracurricular expenses.

Add Quotation Marks

"Part 7" AND "extracurricular activities" OR "extracurricular expenses" x?



Case name, document title, file number, author or citation ?

Family Law Act, SBC 2011, c 25 x?



Citations

Any section ?

or ▾

Noteup/Discussion: cited case names, legislation titles, citations or dockets ?

All CanLII (2,765)

Cases (2,569)

Legislation (67)

Commentary (129)

My Documents

All jurisdictions ▾

By relevance ▾



lexbox

Save this query

Set up alert feed

Email this query

Run a saved query ▾

Browse Lexbox ▾

1. [Shutiak v. Sperring](#), 2015 BCSC 2344 (CanLII)
Supreme Court of British Columbia — British Columbia

COMMENTARY: Using quotation marks will allow us to group keywords together. We have added quotation marks around Part 7 because we need to find documents that refer to Part 7 of the Family Law Act. We have also added quotation marks around extracurricular activities and extracurricular expenses so that CanLII will search for either of these as complete phrases and not as separate words.

Add Parentheses

"Part 7" AND ("extracurricular activities" OR "extracurricular expenses")

x?



Case name, document title, file number, author or citation

?

Family Law Act, SBC 2011, c 25

x?

Citations

Any section

?

or ▾

Noteup/Discussion: cited case names, legislation titles, citations or dockets

?

All CanLII (2,765)

Cases (2,569)

Legislation (67)

Commentary (129)

My Documents

All jurisdictions ▾

By relevance ▾



lexbox

Save this query

Set up alert feed

Email this query

Run a saved query ▾

Browse Lexbox ▾

1. [Shutiak v. Sperring](#), 2015 BCSC 2344 (CanLII)
Supreme Court of British Columbia — British Columbia

COMMENTARY: Adding parentheses will allow us to prioritize documents that have either extracurricular activities or extracurricular expenses as complete phrases. At this point we can press ENTER and search for documents.

Filter by Jurisdiction

All CanLII (29) Cases (23) Legislation (3) Commentary (3) My Documents

All jurisdictions ▾ By relevance ▾ [Menu] ▾ [Menu] ▾ [RSS]

<input type="checkbox"/> Canada (Federal)	0	Set up alert feed	Email this query	Run a saved query ▾	Browse Lexbox ▾
<input type="checkbox"/> British Columbia	25				
<input type="checkbox"/> Alberta	0				
<input type="checkbox"/> Saskatchewan	1				
<input type="checkbox"/> Manitoba	0				
<input type="checkbox"/> Ontario	0				
<input type="checkbox"/> Quebec	0				
<input type="checkbox"/> New Brunswick	0				
<input type="checkbox"/> Nova Scotia	0				

...ll)
...mbia — British Columbia

... *extracurricular activities — payor parent — retroactive*

... connection with child support and special and extraordinary expenses engage a consideration of **Part 7** of the **FLA** and the
... es , SOR/2017-224 as amended (the “Guidelines”). [...] independent family mediator or with the assistance of a Family
... rria Justice Access Centre, before making an application to the court for directions under **s. 49** of the **Family Law Act** ; on any

COMMENTARY: Although the Family Law Act, SBC 2011, c 25 is specific to British Columbia, CanLII might capture instances where the Family Law Act was mentioned in other provinces. In the example above, one case from Saskatchewan was included. As we are only interested in seeing British Columbia court decisions we need to click on All Jurisdictions and select British Columbia.

Filter by Document Type

All CanLII (25) **Cases (22)** Legislation (3) Commentary (0) My Documents

British Columbia ▾ All courts and tribunals ▾ Any date ▾ Clear filters By relevance ▾ ☰ ▾ □ ▾ 📡

lexbox

1. [V.W. v. J.H.](#), 2020 BCPC 13 (CanLII)
Provincial Court of British Columbia — British Columbia
2020-01-23 | 95 pages
child support — parenting time — extracurricular activities — payor parent — retroactive

[...] [8] The issues raised in connection with child support and special and extraordinary expenses engage a consideration of **Part 7** of the **FLA** and the Federal Child Support Guidelines , SOR/2017-224 as amended (the “Guidelines”). [...] independent family mediator or with the assistance of a Family Justice Counsellor, at the Victoria Justice Access Centre, before making an application to the court for directions under **s. 49** of the **Family Law Act** ; on any issue in disagreement or a decision they consider contrary to the best interests of the Child. [...] s. 148(3) of the **FLA** , on the application by a party, the court may set aside or replace with an order made under **Part 7**, Division 2 of the **FLA** all or part of an agreement respecting child support if the court would make a different order on consideration of the matters set out in determining child support under **s. 150** . [...]

Quick Survey 👍

COMMENTARY: Clicking on the Cases tab will limit our search results to include BC court cases only.

Filter by Court Level

The screenshot shows the Lexbox search interface. At the top, there are tabs for 'All CanLII (25)', 'Cases (22)', 'Legislation (3)', 'Commentary (0)', and 'My Documents'. Below these, there are filters for 'British Columbia', 'All courts and tribunals', and 'Any date'. A dropdown menu is open under 'All courts and tribunals', showing a list of court levels with corresponding counts:

Court Level	Count
✓ All courts and tribunals	22
All courts	22
Appeal courts	0
All tribunals	0
Labour	0
Privacy	0
Human rights	0
Discipline	0
Securities	0

At the bottom of the dropdown menu, there is a text input field labeled 'Select specific courts and tribunals'. The main search results area shows a list of results, with the first result being '1. V.W. v. J.F. Provincial child support issue in court would n...'. The search bar at the top right contains the text 'Run a saved query' and a 'Browse Lexbox' button. A 'Quick Survey' button is visible in the bottom right corner.

COMMENTARY: Clicking on the All Courts and Tribunals tab will allow us to filter our search results by a specific court or tribunal. For our purposes we will click on Select Specific Courts and Tribunals in order to find the Provincial Court of British Columbia.

Filter by Relevance

The screenshot displays the Lexbox search interface. At the top, there are navigation tabs for 'All CanLII (25)', 'Cases (11)', 'Legislation (3)', 'Commentary (0)', and 'My Documents'. Below these, filters for 'British Columbia', 'BCPC', and 'Any date' are visible. A 'Clear filters' button and a 'By relevance' dropdown menu are also present. The 'By relevance' dropdown is open, showing a list of sorting options: 'Sort by document relevance' (checked), 'Sort by date: newest', 'Sort by date: oldest', 'Sort by most cited', 'Sort by court level', and 'Sort by most pages'. Each option has a question mark icon to its right. Below the dropdown, the first search result is displayed: '1. V.W. v. J.H., 2020 BCPC 13 (CanLII)'. The result includes the court name, date, page count, and a list of keywords. A snippet of the document text is shown below the keywords. In the bottom right corner, there is a 'Quick Survey' button with a thumbs-up icon.

All CanLII (25) Cases (11) Legislation (3) Commentary (0) My Documents

British Columbia BCPC Any date Clear filters By relevance

lexbox Save this query Set up alert feed Email this query

1. [V.W. v. J.H., 2020 BCPC 13 \(CanLII\)](#)
Provincial Court of British Columbia — British Columbia
2020-01-23 | 95 pages
child support — parenting time — extracurricular activities — payor parent — retroactive

[...] [8] The issues raised in connection with child support and special and extraordinary expenses engage a consideration of **Part 7** of the **FLA** and the Federal Child Support Guidelines , SOR/2017-224 as amended (the “Guidelines”). [...] independent family mediator or with the assistance of a Family Justice Counsellor, at the Victoria Justice Access Centre, before making an application to the court for directions under **s. 49** of the **Family Law Act** ; on any issue in disagreement or a decision they consider contrary to the best interests of the Child. [...] s. 148(3) of the **FLA** , on the application by a party, the court may set aside or replace with an order made under **Part 7**, Division 2 of the **FLA** all or part of an agreement respecting child support if the court would make a different order on consideration of the matters set out in determining child support under **s. 150** . [...]

Quick Survey

COMMENTARY: There are many sorting options. In this example we will choose Sort by Most Cited.

Mission Accomplished!

All CanLII (25) **Cases (11)** Legislation (3) Commentary (0) My Documents

British Columbia ▾ BCPC ▾ Any date ▾ Clear filters Most cited first ▾ ☰ ▾ □ ▾ 📡

lexbox Save this query Set up alert feed Email this query Run a saved query ▾ Browse Lexbox ▾

1. [L.D.M. v. R.H.M., 2014 BCPC 98 \(CanLII\)](#)
Provincial Court of British Columbia — British Columbia
2014-03-31 | 108 pages | cited by [5 documents](#)
child — guardian — parenting time — at-risk family member — respecting

[...] • **Part 7** “Child and Spousal Support” and Division 1-“Definitions”, Division 2- “Child Support”, Division 5- “General”, and [...] (c) When the Child is in actual primarily residence care with the Mother and not while the Child is in the care of the Father for parenting time, making decisions about the Child’s education and participation in **extracurricular activities** including the nature, extent and location ; [...] **Part 7** — Child and Spousal Support Division 1 — Definitions Definitions [...]

Quick Survey 👍

COMMENTARY: If you are interested in learning more about how to search in CanLII effectively we recommend visiting <https://www.canlii.org/en/info/search.html> for more tips and tricks!